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The California Native Plant Society
Monterey Bay Chapter

<https://chapters.cnps.org/montereybay/>

July/August 2019

Native Gardens of Japan General Meeting Speaker: Leslie Buck

Did you know that the majority of Japanese gardens are native, that most are not sheared, but quite natural looking? Would you like your garden to have four-season beauty, rather than simply spring flowers? Join me for a delightful visual journey as I show photos from secret gardens of Kyoto. I will read from my garden memoir, *Cutting Back—My Apprenticeship in the Gardens of Kyoto*, and also teach you a few landscaping tricks so your gardens can evoke scenes from wild California nature.

Leslie Buck is the author of the *New York Times* and *Alice Water's* reviewed Japanese garden memoir, *Cutting Back—My Apprenticeship in The Gardens of Kyoto* by Timber Press about a California gardener who studies with traditional garden craftsmen of Kyoto in private homes, monasteries and an Emperor's estate. Her book is available where ever books are sold. See her website lesliebuckauthor.com for a link to a fun interview on NPR's *Cultivating Place!*

“An unusual and entertaining memoir. She learns about durability, resilience, and how to prune trees exquisitely.” *New York Times Book Review*



Colored pencil drawing of a lupine is by Jesalee LaPatra.

General Meeting • Thursday, July 11

Visiting and Book Purchasing from 7:00pm

Meeting and Program Begin at 7:30pm

Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History

(General meetings are the 2nd Thursday, every other month)

STEWARDSHIP

Weed bashes are ongoing. They will be held on the 1st Saturdays at Point Lobos Ranch on July 6 and August 3 from 1pm to 4pm. They will also be on the 3rd Sundays at Soberanes Creek on July 21 and August 18 from 11am to 2pm. Contact Bruce at 277-7690 or bdelgado62@gmail.com for meeting locations and other details.

To help with broom at Monterey's Quarry Park, please contact Al Washburn at awashburn8@comcast.net.

FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

Wednesday, July 10

Point Lobos Bird and Plant Discovery

Field Trip

Join Jerry Loomis on a “questions encouraged” discovery walk with a focus on birds and plants. Jerry was a park ranger at the Point Lobos Reserve for 22 years and currently coordinates the “Point Lobos Summer Adventures Program” for children. The walk will be ± 2 miles with minimal ascent. Bring \$3 for park fee, water, and a snack.

Saturday, June 13

Hastings Reserve Field Trip

Field Trip

Join Jen Hunter, the Director of the Hastings Reserve, on an educational field trip. Hastings is a 2,500 acre biological field station located in upper

Carmel Valley, and is part of the California Natural Reserve System operated under the University of California Berkeley—Museum of Vertebrate Zoology. We'll learn about the property's history and some of the current research, including work on oak woodlands, acorn woodpeckers, California deer mice and geology. About 3/4 mile with minimal elevation gain. Bring \$5 for use fee, water, and lunch or a snack.



Brian LeNeve, left, and Michael Mitchell were the main men in charge of our amazing wildflower show this year. Approximately 50 volunteers worked all week to give us the outstanding show. Thank you, everyone! Photo by Lynn



Can you spot Brian LeNeve's favorite wildflower show flower? It's the cream colored one just left of center—the *Walmartus chinensis* in the *Plasticaceae* family also known as false cosmos. Photo by Jesalee LaPatra

Sunday, July 21

Williams Canyon Leopard Lily Hike to Mitteldorf Preserve

Field Trip

This lovely hike is ±4 miles with ± 400' ascent. It's along Williams Canyon Road where we'll pass through a spectacular redwood environment with several creeks on our way to Big Sur Land Trust's

You must register for field trips online at:

www.meetup.com/The-Monterey-Bay-Area-Hiking-Group

Meeting times, locations, and more details are on Meetup

July/Aug field trips will be published on Meetup Thurs, **June 27**

Sept/Oct field trips will be published on Meetup Mon, **Aug 26**

Don't own a mobile phone or computer but want to go on field trips? Call 375-7777

Mitteldorf Preserve. We'll even admire the county's largest diameter redwood. But if we're lucky, we'll see the star of the day—beautiful leopard lilies. Bring water and lunch. Arrive early; we depart on time. Led by Lynn Bomberger



On Andy Werner's Fort Ord hike, we were given a special treat when BLM park ranger, Tammy Jakl, and her pet king snake, Kolbie, came by. Tammy takes Kolbie into classrooms to teach children how beneficial snakes are. Photo by Lynn

Saturday, July 27 **Field Trip**
Behind the Scenes at Rana Creek Nursery

Rana Creek Nursery sits on 25 acres of earth in the verdant Carmel Valley. They grow and supply western native and water-efficient plants for homes and gardens. Rana Creek plants are ideal for intimate gardens, ornamental landscapes, grassy meadows, green walls, living roofs, and ecological restoration projects. In addition, they are also a renowned ecological design firm specializing in landscape architecture, environmental planning, native plant propagation, landscape construction and habitat restoration with numerous projects in the U.S. and abroad. Robert Kurner will give us a nursery tour.



Yippee, we saw lots of pretty little menacing broomrape flowers on Lynn Bomberger's Garzas Creek Broomrape field trip! Photo by Jesalee LaPatra



In the Santa Lucia Preserve, on Lynn Bomberger's field trip, we hiked a highly floriferous trail with amazing diversity. It took us almost three hours to hike three miles because there was so much to see. Photo by Lynn



Celia Bosworth expresses joy and rejuvenation by being amongst beautiful wildflowers and a waterfall near Al Washburn's cabin. The gathering was Al and Bruce Delgado's recent annual Upper Garzas Creek Hike BBQ/Potluck. Photo by Al Washburn

Monday, August 19 **Field Trip**
Land of Medicine Buddha with Andy Werner

Land of Medicine Buddha is our favorite starting and ending location, but most of this field trip is actually in the Forest of Nisene Marks. We'll see some interesting plants and late wildflowers such as harebells. We'll also hike along a cool shady creek. About ±7 mi and ±700' elevation gain. Bring water and a lunch or snack along with \$5 each for LMB. Led by Andy Werner



Visiting Limekiln State Park is always a treat—it's sooo beautiful there! We marveled at the soft thimbleberry leaves, carpets of redwood sorrel, coast redwoods, and the crystal clear creeks. Photo by Lynn



The Chew's Ridge 'Scouting Outing' field trip was led by Michael Mitchell with much reference to Rod Yeager and Michael Mitchell's *Monterey County Wildflowers—a Field Guide*. 'The Good Book' is held by Stanley Dudek. Photo by Cliff Halverson

August 22 **Field Trip**
Point Lobos Shoreline and Forest Hike

Point Lobos is always a beautiful destination. On this outing we'll take in the stunning shoreline of the North Shore, Cypress Grove and also some forest trails. There might not be many flowers, but the views will be

breathtaking. The hike is ±3.5 miles with ±150' ascent. Bring \$3 for the park fee, water, and lunch. We depart on time. Led by Lynn Bomberger



With the county's largest diameter redwood, crystal clear creeks, and lush foliage, hiking into Mitteldorf is always special. Photo by Elke Ikeda

CONSERVATION REPORT

PG&E PG&E power pole vegetation removal proposed in sensitive Maritime Chaparral habitat in north county are still being challenged by homeowners. CNPS asked the utility for clarification on the exact dimensions of the disturbance, which will impact rare manzanitas and Eastwood's goldenbush.

SOUTH BOUNDARY ROAD CNPS continues to monitor the proposed widening of South Boundary Road between Del Rey Oaks and Laguna Seca. The current alignment impacts a Plant Reserve protected by a legal agreement between the Chapter, Del Rey Oaks, and FORA (Fort Ord Reuse Authority).

CA CENTRAL COAST VETERANS CEMETERY PROJECT The Chapter submitted comments on the Draft EIR/EA for Phase 2. We stressed that successful mitigation for the loss of oak woodland requires that sufficient contiguous acreage be identified for preservation or planting for the full CCCVC buildout. We voiced concern that a suitable replacement site for the Phase 1 required mitigation still needs to be identified. We also requested that locally-collected native seed be used for revegetation. You may read the entire letter under Conservation on the Chapter website.

TORO COUNTY PARK SPARTAN RACE The Chapter interacted with the Parks Division of the Monterey County Resource Management Agency to discuss how to limit damage to trailside native plants during the race, especially on the Deer Trail segment. Ribbon was installed to keep runners on the trail on the lower section and proved helpful. We will continue to work with Parks to identify ways to further protect the plants and to suggest alternate routes.

Go to <https://chapters.cnps.org/montereybay/conservation/> for more information on the above Conservation issues.

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OUR WALLFLOWER IS GOING DIGITAL

After a lot of emailing and board meeting discussion, it was decided to make our newsletter digital starting with the next issue. Except for those who have expressly opted out of receiving emails, every member, and those who have signed up to receive emails from the Chapter, will receive an email with a link that will allow them to view and print out the full newsletter in color.

There are several reasons for this change. In general, we would like to eliminate the costs and labor of printing and mailing a physical newsletter;

it is a very expensive and tedious task. Going digital will also simplify the formatting of the newsletter.

If you are receiving emails from the chapter, there is nothing you need do. If you have opted out of receiving emails from the chapter, you may want to consider opting back in, at least for chapter news. To do so, go to our website and click on "Sign Up" at the bottom of any page. If you do not have email or if you have a particular reason for preferring to receive a physical newsletter by mail, please write to Brian LeNeve c/o Monterey Bay Chapter, California Native Plant Society, P.O. Box 221303, Carmel, CA 93922. Brian will make the necessary arrangements, at least for a transitional period.

NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS—CNPS MONTEREY BAY

Please notice our new address: <https://chapters.cnps.org/montereybay/>

TRUSTS, WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Thinking of a Legacy Gift for CNPS? Consider the Monterey Bay Chapter of CNPS in your Trust or Will to help continue our important work conserving native plants on the Central Coast. Be sure to specify the Monterey Bay Chapter, P.O. Box 221303, Carmel, CA 93922, as the recipient of your bequest, otherwise, your gift will go to the state CNPS. Thank you!

TIPS ON REDUCING MEETUP EMAILS

Meetup sends a LOT of emails. To reduce emails, go to Settings in your account, then Email Updates (left side), decide what you want. Leave on 'Messages' so that your leader may email you. Next, at the bottom of the Email Updates page, on the right, click 'Edit,' and again, decide what you would like. If you would like guidance, call Lynn at 375-7777.

ARE YOU MOVING?

If so, please let us know. Contact our Membership Chair, Brian LeNeve, at brian@brianleneve.com or 624-8497.

CAN YOU HELP?

Our long-time Treasurer, Jim Pittman, will be retiring from his CNPS duties soon and the Chapter will need a new Treasurer. High math is not a requirement, just a penchant for detail. The Treasurer prepares quarterly summaries and keeps the Chapter's checkbook. Please call Lynn Bomberger at 375-7777 or Carol LeNeve at 624-8497 if you can help.

GARDENING WITH NATIVES



It's high summer and an evergreen Manzanita 'John Dourley,' a tall California sagebrush, and colorful yarrow hybrid 'Terra Cotta' provide seasonal shelter, fragrance and nectar in a Central Coast habitat garden. Photo by Peigi Duvall

Please contact Peigi Duvall, Horticulture Co-Chair, at (605)704-3926 or to showcase your native garden! Photo by Peigi



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